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**Washington, DC 20549**

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**FORM 10-Q**

(Mark One)

**QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2015

or

**TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the transition period from to

Commission file number 001-32964

THE FIRST OF LONG ISLAND CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

11-2672906

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

10 Glen Head Road, Glen Head, NY

11545

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(516) 671-4900

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer [  ] Accelerated filer [  ]

Non-accelerated filer [  ] Smaller reporting company [  ]

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).  
Yes  No

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Title of Each Class	Outstanding at October 30, 2015
Common stock, \$.10 par value per share	14,104,204



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**PART 1. FINANCIAL INFORMATION****ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS****CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)**

(dollars in thousands)	<b>September 30, 2015</b>	December 31, 2014
<b>Assets:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	<b>\$33,364</b>	\$32,944
Investment securities:		
Held-to-maturity, at amortized cost (fair value of \$19,470 and \$22,870)	<b>18,688</b>	21,833
Available-for-sale, at fair value	<b>752,036</b>	774,145
	<b>770,724</b>	795,978
Loans:		
Commercial and industrial	<b>85,340</b>	77,140
Secured by real estate:		
Commercial mortgages	<b>954,371</b>	858,975
Residential mortgages	<b>972,523</b>	779,994
Home equity lines	<b>84,806</b>	83,109
Consumer and other	<b>5,849</b>	5,601
	<b>2,102,889</b>	1,804,819
Allowance for loan losses	<b>(25,520 )</b>	(23,221 )
	<b>2,077,369</b>	1,781,598
Restricted stock, at cost	<b>21,174</b>	23,304
Bank premises and equipment, net	<b>29,435</b>	27,854
Bank-owned life insurance	<b>32,233</b>	31,568
Pension plan assets, net	<b>16,787</b>	16,421
Other assets	<b>12,084</b>	11,827
	<b>\$2,993,170</b>	\$2,721,494
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
Deposits:		
Checking	<b>\$766,427</b>	\$655,753
Savings, NOW and money market	<b>1,215,675</b>	1,000,325
Time, \$100,000 and over	<b>206,644</b>	208,745
Time, other	<b>115,826</b>	120,202
	<b>2,304,572</b>	1,985,025
Short-term borrowings	<b>63,100</b>	136,486

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Long-term debt	<b>356,862</b>	345,000
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	<b>14,026</b>	13,247
Deferred income taxes payable	<b>7,330</b>	8,433
	<b>2,745,890</b>	2,488,191

**Stockholders' Equity:**

Common stock, par value \$.10 per share:

Authorized, 40,000,000 shares

Issued and outstanding, 14,043,183 and 13,887,134 shares

Surplus

Retained earnings

Accumulated other comprehensive income, net of tax

	<b>1,404</b>	1,389
	<b>54,792</b>	51,009
	<b>181,273</b>	170,120
	<b>237,469</b>	222,518
	<b>9,811</b>	10,785
	<b>247,280</b>	233,303
	<b>\$2,993,170</b>	\$2,721,494

*See notes to unaudited consolidated financial statements*

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)**

(dollars in thousands, except per share data)	Nine Months Ended September 30,		Three Months Ended September 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
<b>Interest and dividend income:</b>				
Loans	\$51,328	\$43,621	\$17,637	\$15,329
Investment securities:				
Taxable	6,116	7,145	1,874	2,336
Nontaxable	10,184	10,003	3,392	3,394
	67,628	60,769	22,903	21,059
<b>Interest expense:</b>				
Savings, NOW and money market deposits	1,840	1,432	690	474
Time deposits	4,565	4,539	1,495	1,607
Short-term borrowings	113	124	19	50
Long-term debt	5,877	4,989	1,766	1,686
	12,395	11,084	3,970	3,817
Net interest income	55,233	49,685	18,933	17,242
<b>Provision for loan losses</b>	<b>2,402</b>	<b>2,144</b>	<b>1,049</b>	<b>1,221</b>
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	52,831	47,541	17,884	16,021
<b>Noninterest income:</b>				
Investment Management Division income	1,548	1,557	509	536
Service charges on deposit accounts	1,981	2,303	656	715
Net gains on sales of securities	1,133	141	-	23
Other	2,196	1,671	654	754
	6,858	5,672	1,819	2,028
<b>Noninterest expense:</b>				
Salaries	15,134	13,482	5,114	4,601
Employee benefits	4,347	3,554	1,608	1,203
Occupancy and equipment	6,639	6,447	2,070	2,121
Debt extinguishment	1,084	-	-	-
Other	7,367	6,949	2,590	2,222
	34,571	30,432	11,382	10,147
Income before income taxes	25,118	22,781	8,321	7,902
<b>Income tax expense</b>	<b>5,846</b>	<b>5,226</b>	<b>1,810</b>	<b>1,848</b>
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$19,272</b>	<b>\$17,555</b>	<b>\$6,511</b>	<b>\$6,054</b>
<b>Weighted average:</b>				
Common shares	13,982,485	13,787,990	14,029,990	13,821,270
Dilutive stock options and restricted stock units	157,488	144,643	165,687	144,281
	14,139,973	13,932,633	14,195,677	13,965,551
<b>Earnings per share:</b>				
Basic	\$1.38	\$1.27	\$0.46	\$0.44



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Diluted	<b>\$1.36</b>	\$1.26	<b>\$ .46</b>	\$.43
<b>Cash dividends declared per share</b>	<b>\$.58</b>	\$.53	<b>\$.20</b>	\$.19

*See notes to unaudited consolidated financial statements*

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (UNAUDITED)**

(dollars in thousands)	Nine Months Ended September 30,		Three Months Ended September 30,	
	<b>2015</b>	2014	<b>2015</b>	2014
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$19,272</b>	\$17,555	<b>\$6,511</b>	\$6,054
<b>Other comprehensive income (loss):</b>				
Change in net unrealized holding gains on available-for-sale securities	<b>(1,717)</b>	17,859	<b>5,144</b>	98
Change in funded status of pension plan	-	11	-	4
Other comprehensive income (loss) before income taxes	<b>(1,717)</b>	17,870	<b>5,144</b>	102
<b>Income tax expense (benefit)</b>	<b>(743 )</b>	7,282	<b>2,119</b>	42
<b>Other comprehensive income (loss)</b>	<b>(974 )</b>	10,588	<b>3,025</b>	60
<b>Comprehensive income</b>	<b>\$18,298</b>	\$28,143	<b>\$9,536</b>	\$6,114

*See notes to unaudited consolidated financial statements*

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (UNAUDITED)**

(dollars in thousands)	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015					
	Common Stock Shares	Common Stock Amount	Surplus	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	Total
Balance, January 1, 2015	13,887,134	\$ 1,389	\$ 51,009	\$ 170,120	\$ 10,785	\$ 233,303
Net income				19,272		19,272
Other comprehensive loss					(974 )	(974 )
Repurchase of common stock	(12,227 )	(1 )	(286 )			(287 )
Common stock issued under stock compensation plans, including tax benefit	76,183	7	741			748
Common stock issued under dividend reinvestment and stock purchase plan	92,093	9	2,275			2,284
Stock-based compensation			1,053			1,053
Cash dividends declared				(8,119 )		(8,119 )
Balance, September 30, 2015	14,043,183	\$ 1,404	\$ 54,792	\$ 181,273	\$ 9,811	\$ 247,280

(dollars in thousands)	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014					
	Common Stock Shares	Common Stock Amount	Surplus	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	Total
Balance, January 1, 2014	9,141,767	\$ 914	\$ 46,873	\$ 157,107	\$ 1,662	\$ 206,556
Net income				17,555		17,555
Other comprehensive income					10,588	10,588
Repurchase of common stock	(2,902 )	-	(121 )			(121 )
Common stock issued under stock compensation plans, including tax benefit	41,780	4	870			874
Common stock issued under dividend reinvestment and stock purchase plan	43,889	4	1,679			1,683

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3-for-2 stock split	4,612,267	462		(462 )		-
Stock-based compensation			893			893
Cash dividends declared				(7,360 )		(7,360 )
Balance, September 30, 2014	13,836,801	\$ 1,384	\$ 50,194	\$ 166,840	\$ 12,250	\$ 230,668

*See notes to unaudited consolidated financial statements*

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)**

(dollars in thousands)	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2015	2014
<b>Cash Flows From Operating Activities:</b>		
Net income	<b>\$19,272</b>	\$17,555
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Provision for loan losses	<b>2,402</b>	2,144
Provision (credit) for off-balance-sheet credit losses	<b>20</b>	(15 )
Deferred income tax credit	<b>(359)</b>	(164 )
Depreciation and amortization	<b>2,254</b>	2,124
Premium amortization on investment securities, net	<b>3,651</b>	4,994
Net gains on sales of securities	<b>(1,133)</b>	(141 )
Net gains on loans held-for-sale	-	(165 )
Loss on debt extinguishment	<b>1,084</b>	-
Net gain on sale of premises and equipment	-	(7 )
Stock-based compensation expense	<b>1,053</b>	893
Accretion of cash surrender value on bank-owned life insurance	<b>(665)</b>	(390 )
Pension credit	<b>(367)</b>	(352 )
(Increase) decrease in other assets	<b>(257)</b>	1,348
Increase in accrued expenses and other liabilities	<b>590</b>	211
Net cash provided by operating activities	<b>27,545</b>	28,035
<b>Cash Flows From Investing Activities:</b>		
Proceeds from sales of held-to-maturity securities	<b>243</b>	2,423
Proceeds from sales of available-for-sale securities	<b>66,140</b>	3,390
Proceeds from maturities and redemptions of investment securities:		
Held-to-maturity	<b>4,580</b>	6,527
Available-for-sale	<b>88,264</b>	74,713
Purchases of investment securities:		
Held-to-maturity	<b>(1,619)</b>	(516 )
Available-for-sale	<b>(136,589)</b>	(69,716 )
Proceeds from sales of loans and loans held-for-sale	<b>1,176</b>	3,265
Net increase in loans	<b>(299,349)</b>	(184,042)
Net decrease in restricted stock	<b>2,130</b>	2,190
Purchases of premises and equipment, net	<b>(3,835)</b>	(5,082 )
Proceeds from sales of premises and equipment	-	7
Net cash used in investing activities	<b>(278,859)</b>	(166,841)
<b>Cash Flows From Financing Activities:</b>		
Net increase in deposits	<b>319,547</b>	174,933
Net decrease in short-term borrowings	<b>(73,386)</b>	(45,734 )
Proceeds from long-term debt	<b>85,362</b>	10,000

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Repayment of long-term debt	(74,584 )	-
Proceeds from issuance of common stock, net	2,284	1,683
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	524	766
Tax benefit from stock compensation plans	224	188
Repurchase and retirement of common stock	(287 )	(121 )
Cash dividends paid	(7,950 )	(7,154 )
Net cash provided by financing activities	251,734	134,561
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	420	(4,245 )
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	32,944	35,497
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$33,364	\$31,252

**Supplemental Cash Flow Disclosures:**

Cash paid for:		
Income taxes	\$5,600	\$4,219
Interest	12,662	11,726
Noncash investing and financing activities:		
Cash dividends payable	2,808	2,583
Loans transferred from portfolio to held-for-sale	-	2,200

*See notes to unaudited consolidated financial statements*

## NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### *1 - BASIS OF PRESENTATION*

The accounting and reporting policies of The First of Long Island Corporation reflect banking industry practice and conform to generally accepted accounting principles in the United States. In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is required to make estimates, such as the allowance for loan losses, and assumptions that affect the reported asset and liability balances, revenue and expense amounts, and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ significantly from those estimates.

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of The First of Long Island Corporation and its wholly-owned subsidiary, The First National Bank of Long Island. The Bank has two wholly owned subsidiaries: FNY Service Corp., an investment company, and The First of Long Island Agency, Inc., a licensed insurance agency under the laws of the State of New York. The Bank and FNY Service Corp. jointly own another subsidiary, The First of Long Island REIT, Inc., a real estate investment trust. The consolidated entity is referred to as the "Corporation" and the Bank and its subsidiaries are collectively referred to as the "Bank." All intercompany balances and amounts have been eliminated. For further information refer to the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014.

The consolidated financial information included herein as of and for the periods ended September 30, 2015 and 2014 is unaudited. However, such information reflects all adjustments which are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair statement of results for the interim periods. The December 31, 2014 consolidated balance sheet was derived from the Corporation's December 31, 2014 audited consolidated financial statements. When appropriate, items in the prior year financial statements are reclassified to conform to the current period presentation.

On September 16, 2014, the Corporation declared a 3-for-2 stock split. The stock split was effected through a 50% stock dividend. Additional shares issued as a result of the stock split were distributed on October 15, 2014 to stockholders of record on October 1, 2014.

### *2 - COMPREHENSIVE INCOME*

Comprehensive income includes net income and other comprehensive income. Other comprehensive income includes revenues, expenses, gains and losses that under generally accepted accounting principles are included in comprehensive income but excluded from net income. Other comprehensive income for the Corporation consists of

unrealized holding gains or losses on available-for-sale securities and changes in the funded status of the Bank's defined benefit pension plan, both net of related income taxes. Accumulated other comprehensive income is recognized as a separate component of stockholders' equity.

The components of other comprehensive income and the related tax effects are as follows:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,		Three Months Ended September 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
	<i>(in thousands)</i>			
Change in net unrealized holding gains on available-for-sale securities:				
Change arising during the period	\$(592 )	\$17,881	\$5,144	\$ 99
Reclassification adjustment for gains included in net income (1)	(1,125)	(22 )	-	(1 )
Change in net unrealized holding gains on available-for-sale securities	(1,717)	17,859	5,144	98
Tax effect	(706 )	7,295	2,119	40
	(1,011)	10,564	3,025	58
Change in funded status of pension plan:				
Amortization of prior service cost included in pension expense (2)	-	11	-	4
Tax effect	(37 )	(13 )	-	2
	37	24	-	2
Other comprehensive income (loss)	\$(974 )	\$10,588	\$3,025	\$ 60

(1) Reclassification adjustment represents net realized gains arising from the sale of available-for-sale securities. The net realized gains are included in the consolidated statements of income in the line item, "Net gains on sales of securities." See "Note 3 – Investment Securities" for the income tax expense related to the net realized gains.

(2) Represents the amortization into expense of prior service cost relating to the Bank's defined benefit pension plan. This item is included in net periodic pension cost (see Note 6) and in the consolidated statements of income in the line item, "Employee benefits." The related income tax expense is included in the consolidated statements of income in the line item, "Income tax expense."



The following sets forth the components of accumulated other comprehensive income, net of tax:

	Balance 12/31/14	Current Period Change	Balance 9/30/15
	<i>(in thousands)</i>		
Unrealized holding gains on available-for-sale securities	\$13,460	\$(1,011)	\$12,449
Unrealized actuarial losses and prior service costs on pension plan	(2,675)	37	(2,638)
Accumulated other comprehensive income, net of tax	\$10,785	\$(974)	\$9,811

### 3 - INVESTMENT SECURITIES

The following tables set forth the amortized cost and estimated fair values of the Bank's investment securities.

	September 30, 2015			
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
<b>Held-to-Maturity Securities:</b>	<i>(in thousands)</i>			
State and municipals	\$16,991	\$ 617	\$ -	\$17,608
Pass-through mortgage securities	766	96	-	862
Collateralized mortgage obligations	931	69	-	1,000
	\$18,688	\$ 782	\$ -	\$19,470
<b>Available-for-Sale Securities:</b>				
State and municipals	\$410,887	\$ 17,005	\$(399)	\$427,493
Pass-through mortgage securities	155,616	1,182	(572)	156,226
Collateralized mortgage obligations	164,587	4,017	(287)	168,317
	\$731,090	\$ 22,204	\$(1,258)	\$752,036
	December 31, 2014			
<b>Held-to-Maturity Securities:</b>				
State and municipals	\$19,836	\$ 843	\$ -	\$20,679
Pass-through mortgage securities	856	110	-	966
Collateralized mortgage obligations	1,141	84	-	1,225
	\$21,833	\$ 1,037	\$ -	\$22,870
<b>Available-for-Sale Securities:</b>				
State and municipals	\$393,637	\$ 18,612	\$(452)	\$411,797
Pass-through mortgage securities	130,966	1,421	(1,206)	131,181
Collateralized mortgage obligations	226,879	4,847	(559)	231,167
	\$751,482	\$ 24,880	\$(2,217)	\$774,145

At September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, investment securities with a carrying value of \$419,052,000 and \$369,951,000, respectively, were pledged as collateral to secure public deposits and borrowed funds.

There were no holdings of any one issuer, other than the U.S. Government and its agencies, in an amount greater than 10% of stockholders' equity at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

**Securities With Unrealized Losses.** The following tables set forth securities with unrealized losses presented by the length of time the securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position.

	<b>September 30, 2015</b>					
	Less than 12 Months		12 Months or More		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss	Fair Value	Unrealized Loss
	<i>(in thousands)</i>					
State and municipals	\$31,378	\$ (308 )	\$5,269	\$ (91 )	\$36,647	\$ (399 )
Pass-through mortgage securities	60,790	(232 )	28,997	(340 )	89,787	(572 )
Collateralized mortgage obligations	18,274	(16 )	12,127	(271 )	30,401	(287 )
Total temporarily impaired	\$110,442	\$ (556 )	\$46,393	\$ (702 )	\$156,835	\$ (1,258 )
	<b>December 31, 2014</b>					
State and municipals	\$19,386	\$ (145 )	\$21,198	\$ (307 )	\$40,584	\$ (452 )
Pass-through mortgage securities	-	-	100,556	(1,206 )	100,556	(1,206 )
Collateralized mortgage obligations	15,420	(84 )	17,227	(475 )	32,647	(559 )
Total temporarily impaired	\$34,806	\$ (229 )	\$138,981	\$ (1,988 )	\$173,787	\$ (2,217 )

Because the unrealized losses reflected in the preceding tables are deemed by management to be attributable to changes in interest rates and not credit losses, and because management does not have the intent to sell these securities and it is not more likely than not that it will be required to sell these securities before their anticipated recovery, the Bank does not consider these securities to be other-than-temporarily impaired at September 30, 2015.

**Sales of Available-for-Sale Securities.** Sales of available-for-sale securities were as follows:

	Nine Months Ended		Three Months Ended	
	September 30, 2015	2014	September 30, 2015	2014
	<i>(in thousands)</i>			
Proceeds	\$66,140	\$3,390	\$ -	\$ 70
Gains	\$1,501	\$42	\$ -	\$ 1
Losses	(376 )	(20 )	-	-
Net gain	\$1,125	\$22	\$ -	\$ 1

Income tax expense related to the net realized gains was \$463,000 and \$9,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

***Sales of Held-to-Maturity Securities.*** During the second quarter of 2015, the Bank sold one municipal security that was classified as held-to-maturity. The sale was in response to a significant deterioration in the creditworthiness of the issuer. The security sold had a carrying value of \$235,000 at the time of sale and the Bank realized a gain upon sale of \$8,000.

During the third quarter of 2014, the Bank sold certain mortgage-backed securities that were classified as held-to-maturity securities. The sales occurred after the Bank had collected at least 85% of the principal balance outstanding at acquisition of each security. In addition, the Bank sold one municipal security that was classified as held-to-maturity in response to a significant deterioration in the creditworthiness of the issuer. The securities sold had a carrying value of \$419,000 at the time of sale and the Bank realized a gain upon sale of \$22,000.

During the second quarter of 2014, the Bank sold municipal securities of three issuers that were classified as held-to-maturity. The sales were in response to a significant deterioration in the creditworthiness of the issuers. The securities sold had a carrying value of \$725,000 at the time of sale and the Bank realized a gain upon sale of \$31,000.

During the first quarter of 2014, the Bank sold certain mortgage-backed securities that were classified as held-to-maturity. The sales occurred after the Bank collected 85% or more of the principal outstanding at acquisition of each security. The securities sold had a carrying value of \$1.2 million at the time of sale and the Bank realized a gain upon sale of \$66,000.

**Maturities.** The following table sets forth by maturity the amortized cost and fair value of the Bank's state and municipal securities at September 30, 2015 based on the earlier of their stated maturity or, if applicable, their pre-refunded date. The remaining securities in the Bank's investment securities portfolio are mortgage-backed securities, consisting of pass-through securities and collateralized mortgage obligations. Although these securities are expected to have substantial periodic repayments they are reflected in the table below in aggregate amounts.

	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
<b>Held-to-Maturity Securities:</b> <i>(in thousands)</i>		
Within one year	\$3,951	\$3,971
After 1 through 5 years	8,875	9,275
After 5 through 10 years	3,332	3,491
After 10 years	833	871
Mortgage-backed securities	1,697	1,862
	\$18,688	\$19,470
<b>Available-for-Sale Securities:</b>		
Within one year	\$9,117	\$9,324
After 1 through 5 years	37,545	38,935
After 5 through 10 years	143,566	148,642
After 10 years	220,659	230,592
Mortgage-backed securities	320,203	324,543
	\$731,090	\$752,036

**4 – LOANS**

The following tables set forth by class of loans as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014 the amount of loans individually and collectively evaluated for impairment and the portion of the allowance for loan losses allocable to such loans. Construction and land development loans are included with commercial mortgages in the following tables and small business credit scored loans are included with commercial and industrial loans.

	<b>September 30, 2015</b>			<b>December 31, 2014</b>		
	Loans Individually Evaluated for Impairment	Loans Collectively Evaluated for Impairment	Ending Balance	Loans Individually Evaluated for Impairment	Loans Collectively Evaluated for Impairment	Ending Balance
Commercial and industrial	\$71	\$85,269	\$85,340	\$57	\$848	\$905
Commercial mortgages:						
Multifamily	1,883	554,235	556,118	-	6,815	6,815
Other	-	296,452	296,452	-	2,863	2,863
Owner-occupied	602	101,199	101,801	-	949	949
Residential mortgages:						
Closed end	3,716	968,807	972,523	389	12,538	12,927
Revolving home equity	572	84,234	84,806	-	968	968
Consumer and other	-	5,849	5,849	-	93	93
	\$6,844	\$2,096,045	\$2,102,889	\$446	\$25,074	\$25,520
Commercial and industrial	\$16	\$77,124	\$77,140	\$-	\$838	\$838
Commercial mortgages:						
Multifamily	303	528,790	529,093	-	7,207	7,207
Other	-	222,537	222,537	-	2,340	2,340
Owner-occupied	630	106,715	107,345	-	1,023	1,023
Residential mortgages:						
Closed end	1,083	778,911	779,994	60	10,539	10,599
Revolving home equity	376	82,733	83,109	-	1,121	1,121
Consumer and other	-	5,601	5,601	-	93	93
	\$2,408	\$1,802,411	\$1,804,819	\$60	\$23,161	\$23,221

The following tables present the activity in the allowance for loan losses for the nine and three months ended September 30, 2015.

Chargeoffs Recoveries

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	Balance at 1/1/15 <i>(in thousands)</i>			Provision for Loan Losses (Credit)	Balance at 9/30/15
Commercial and industrial	\$838	\$ -	\$ 6	\$ 61	\$905
Commercial mortgages:					
Multifamily	7,207	88	-	(304 )	6,815
Other	2,340	-	2	521	2,863
Owner-occupied	1,023	-	-	(74 )	949
Residential mortgages:					
Closed end	10,599	-	9	2,319	12,927
Revolving home equity	1,121	-	5	(158 )	968
Consumer and other	93	37	-	37	93
	\$23,221	\$ 125	\$ 22	\$ 2,402	\$25,520

	Balance at 7/1/15	Chargeoffs	Recoveries	Provision for Loan Losses (Credit)	Balance at 9/30/15
Commercial and industrial	\$986	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (81 )	\$905
Commercial mortgages:					
Multifamily	7,030	21	-	(194 )	6,815
Other	2,263	-	1	599	2,863
Owner-occupied	1,007	-	-	(58 )	949
Residential mortgages:					
Closed end	12,114	-	-	813	12,927
Revolving home equity	1,021	-	5	(58 )	968
Consumer and other	70	5	-	28	93
	\$24,491	\$ 26	\$ 6	\$ 1,049	\$25,520

The following tables present the activity in the allowance for loan losses for the nine and three months ended September 30, 2014.

	Balance at 1/1/14 <i>(in thousands)</i>	Chargeoffs	Recoveries	Provision for Loan Losses (Credit)	Balance at 9/30/14
Commercial and industrial	\$ 808	\$ 96	\$ -	\$ 125	\$ 837
Commercial mortgages:					
Multifamily	7,348	-	-	(405 )	6,943
Other	1,501	-	-	572	2,073
Owner-occupied	1,191	400	-	223	1,014
Residential mortgages:					
Closed end	8,607	121	2	1,552	10,040
Revolving home equity	1,240	173	3	117	1,187
Consumer and other	153	7	9	(40 )	115
	\$ 20,848	\$ 797	\$ 14	\$ 2,144	\$ 22,209

	Balance at 7/1/14	Chargeoffs	Recoveries	Provision for Loan Losses (Credit)	Balance at 9/30/14
Commercial and industrial	\$ 761	\$ 96	\$ -	\$ 172	\$ 837
Commercial mortgages:					
Multifamily	6,920	-	-	23	6,943
Other	1,802	-	-	271	2,073
Owner-occupied	1,148	-	-	(134 )	1,014
Residential mortgages:					
Closed end	9,180	-	-	860	10,040
Revolving home equity	1,207	59	3	36	1,187
Consumer and other	122	-	-	(7 )	115
	\$ 21,140	\$ 155	\$ 3	\$ 1,221	\$ 22,209

For individually impaired loans, the following tables set forth by class of loans at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014 the recorded investment, unpaid principal balance and related allowance. The tables also set forth the average recorded investment of individually impaired loans and interest income recognized while the loans were impaired during the nine and three months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014. The recorded investment is the unpaid principal balance of the loans less any interest payments applied to principal and any direct chargeoffs plus or minus net deferred loan costs and fees. Any principal and interest payments received on nonaccrual impaired loans are applied to the recorded investment in the loans. The Bank recognizes interest income on other impaired loans using the accrual method of accounting.





	September 30, 2015			Nine Months Ended		Three Months Ended	
	Unpaid			September 30, 2015		September 30, 2015	
	Recorded	Principal	Related	Recorded	Average	Recorded	Average
	Investment	Balance	Allowance	Investment	Interest	Investment	Interest
					Recognized		Recognized
	<i>(in thousands)</i>						
<b>With no related allowance recorded:</b>							
Commercial mortgages:							
Multifamily	\$1,883	\$1,885	\$ -	\$1,889	\$ -	\$1,883	\$ -
Owner-occupied	602	658	-	617	-	606	-
Residential mortgages:							
Closed end	348	442	-	365	-	351	-
Revolving home equity	572	571	-	574	4	572	4
<b>With an allowance recorded:</b>							
Commercial and industrial	71	71	57	81	1	74	1
Residential mortgages - closed end	3,368	3,373	389	3,424	63	3,373	42
<b>Total:</b>							
Commercial and industrial	71	71	57	81	1	74	1
Commercial mortgages:							
Multifamily	1,883	1,885	-	1,889	-	1,883	-
Owner-occupied	602	658	-	617	-	606	-
Residential mortgages:							
Closed end	3,716	3,815	389	3,789	63	3,724	42
Revolving home equity	572	571	-	574	4	572	4
	\$6,844	\$7,000	\$446	\$6,950	\$68	\$6,859	\$47

	December 31, 2014			Nine Months Ended		Three Months Ended	
				September 30, 2014		September 30, 2014	
<b>With no related allowance recorded:</b>							
Commercial and industrial	\$16	\$16	\$-	\$27	\$1	\$23	\$-
Commercial mortgages:							
Multifamily	303	368	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	38	2	38	1
Owner-occupied	630	663	-	399	-	394	-
Residential mortgages:							
Closed end	216	270	-	890	-	883	-
Revolving home equity	376	372	-	280	-	280	-
<b>With an allowance recorded:</b>							
Commercial mortgages:							
Multifamily	-	-	-	327	-	310	-

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Owner-occupied	-	-	-	244	-	241	-
Residential mortgages - closed end	867	893	60	898	18	884	7
<b>Total:</b>							
Commercial and industrial	16	16	-	27	1	23	-
Commercial mortgages:							
Multifamily	303	368	-	327	-	310	-
Other	-	-	-	38	2	38	1
Owner-occupied	630	663	-	643	-	635	-
Residential mortgages:							
Closed end	1,083	1,163	60	1,788	18	1,767	7
Revolving home equity	376	372	-	280	-	280	-
	\$2,408	\$2,582	\$60	\$3,103	\$21	\$3,053	\$8

**Aging of Loans.** The following tables present the aging of the recorded investment in loans by class of loans.

	September 30, 2015				Total Past Due Loans &		Total Loans
	Past Due		More and Still Accruing	Nonaccrual Loans	Nonaccrual Loans	Current	
	30-59 Days Past Due	60-89 Days Past Due					
	<i>(in thousands)</i>						
Commercial and industrial	\$6	\$-	\$ -	\$ 65	\$ 71	\$85,269	\$85,340
Commercial mortgages:							
Multifamily	-	-	-	1,883	1,883	554,235	556,118
Other	-	-	-	-	-	296,452	296,452
Owner-occupied	-	-	-	602	602	101,199	101,801
Residential mortgages:							
Closed end	996	152	-	348	1,496	971,027	972,523
Revolving home equity	-	-	-	328	328	84,478	84,806
Consumer and other	-	-	-	-	-	5,849	5,849
	\$1,002	\$ 152	\$ -	\$ 3,226	\$ 4,380	\$2,098,509	\$2,102,889
	December 31, 2014						
Commercial and industrial	\$-	\$-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$77,140	\$77,140
Commercial mortgages:							
Multifamily	954	-	-	303	1,257	527,836	529,093
Other	-	-	-	-	-	222,537	222,537
Owner-occupied	-	-	-	630	630	106,715	107,345
Residential mortgages:							
Closed end	1,059	-	-	395	1,454	778,540	779,994
Revolving home equity	74	99	-	376	549	82,560	83,109
Consumer and other	-	-	-	-	-	5,601	5,601
	\$2,087	\$ 99	\$ -	\$ 1,704	\$ 3,890	\$1,800,929	\$1,804,819

Nonaccrual loans at September 30, 2015 include a first lien residential mortgage in the amount of \$32,000 that is in the process of foreclosure. There were no loans in the process of foreclosure at December 31, 2014. The Bank did not hold any foreclosed residential real estate property at September 30, 2015 or December 31, 2014.

**Troubled Debt Restructurings.** A restructuring constitutes a troubled debt restructuring when it includes a concession by the Bank and the borrower is experiencing financial difficulty. In order to determine whether a borrower is experiencing financial difficulty, an evaluation is performed as to the probability that the borrower will be in payment default on any of its debt in the foreseeable future without the modification. The Bank performs the evaluation under its internal underwriting policy.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2015, the Bank modified two loans to a single borrower in a troubled debt restructuring. The loans were a first lien residential mortgage with a pre and post-modification outstanding recorded investment of \$2.7 million and a junior lien residential mortgage with a pre and post-modification outstanding recorded investment of \$245,000. The restructuring reduced the interest rate on each loan from 5.25% to 4.00%, which is lower than the current market rate for new debt with similar risk. The restructuring resulted in a charge to the provision for loan losses of \$332,000 during the second quarter of 2015.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2014, the Bank did not modify any loans in troubled debt restructurings.

At September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the Bank had an allowance for loan losses of \$392,000 and \$60,000, respectively, allocated to specific troubled debt restructurings. The Bank had no commitments to lend additional amounts to loans that were classified as troubled debt restructurings.

There were no troubled debt restructurings for which there was a payment default during the nine months ended September 30, 2015 that were modified during the twelve-month period prior to default. There were two troubled debt restructurings for which there were payment defaults during the nine months ended September 30, 2014 that were modified during the twelve-month period prior to default. The restructured loans were owner-occupied commercial mortgage loans with an aggregate outstanding recorded investment of \$636,000 at September 30, 2014 and a specifically allocated allowance for loan losses of \$40,000. A loan is considered to be in payment default once it is 90 days contractually past due under the modified terms.

***Risk Characteristics.*** Credit risk within the Bank's loan portfolio primarily stems from factors such as borrower size, geographic concentration, industry concentration, real estate values, local and national economic conditions and environmental impairment of properties securing mortgage loans. The Bank's commercial loans, including those secured by mortgages, are primarily made to small and medium-sized businesses. Such loans sometimes involve a higher degree of risk than those to larger companies because such businesses may have shorter operating histories, higher debt-to-equity ratios and may lack sophistication in internal record keeping and financial and operational controls. In addition, most of the Bank's loans are made to businesses and consumers on Long Island and in the boroughs of New York City, and a large percentage of these loans are mortgage loans secured by properties located in those areas. The primary source of repayment for multifamily loans is cash flows from the underlying properties, a substantial portion of which are rent stabilized or rent controlled. Such cash flows are dependent on the strength of the local economy.

**Credit Quality Indicators.** The Corporation categorizes loans into risk categories based on relevant information about the borrower's ability to service their debt including, but not limited to, current financial information for the borrower and any guarantors, payment experience, credit underwriting documentation, public records and current economic trends.

Commercial and industrial loans, including small business credit scored loans, and commercial mortgage loans, including construction and land development loans, are risk rated utilizing a ten point rating system. Residential mortgages, home equity lines and other consumer loans are risk rated utilizing a three point rating system. The ten and three point risk rating systems are described hereinafter.

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1 – 2	Cash flow is of high quality and stable. Borrower has very good liquidity and ready access to traditional sources of credit. This category also includes loans to borrowers secured by cash and/or marketable securities within approved margin requirements.
3 – 4	Cash flow quality is strong, but shows some variability. Borrower has good liquidity and asset quality. Borrower has access to traditional sources of credit with minimal restrictions.
5 – 6	Cash flow quality is acceptable but shows some variability. Liquidity varies with operating cycle and assets provide an adequate margin of protection. Borrower has access to traditional sources of credit, but generally on a secured basis.
7	Watch - Cash flow has a high degree of variability and subject to economic downturns. Liquidity is strained and the ability of the borrower to access traditional sources of credit is diminished.
8	Special Mention - The borrower has potential weaknesses that deserve management's close attention. If left uncorrected, these potential weaknesses may result in deterioration of the repayment prospects for the loan or in the Bank's credit position at some future date. Special mention assets are not adversely classified and do not expose the Bank to risk sufficient to warrant adverse classification.
9	Substandard - Loans are inadequately protected by the current sound worth and paying capacity of the borrower or the collateral pledged, if any. Loans so classified have a well-defined weakness or weaknesses that jeopardize the liquidation of the debt. They are characterized by the distinct possibility that the Bank will sustain some loss if the deficiencies are not corrected.
10	Doubtful - Loans have all the inherent weaknesses of those classified substandard with the added characteristic that the weaknesses make collection or liquidation in full, on the basis of currently existing facts, conditions and values, highly questionable and improbable.

Risk ratings on commercial and industrial loans and commercial mortgages are initially assigned by the lending officer together with any necessary approval authority. The ratings are periodically reviewed and evaluated based upon borrower contact, credit department review or independent loan review.

The Bank's loan risk rating and review policy establishes requirements for the annual review of commercial real estate and commercial and industrial loans. The requirements include details of the scope of coverage and selection process based on loan-type and risk rating. Among other requirements, at least 60% of the recorded investment of commercial real estate loans as of December 31 of the prior year must be reviewed annually. The frequency of the review of other loans is determined by the Bank's ongoing assessments of the borrower's condition.

Residential mortgage loans, revolving home equity lines and other consumer loans are risk rated utilizing a three point rating system. In most cases, the borrower's credit score dictates the risk rating. However, regardless of credit score, loans that are on management's watch list or have been criticized or classified by management are assigned a risk rating of 3. A credit score is a tool used in the Bank's loan approval process, and a minimum score of 680 is generally required for new loans. Credit scores for each borrower are updated at least annually. The risk ratings along with their definitions are as follows:

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Risk Rating

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| 1 | Credit score is equal to or greater than 680.  |
| 2 | Credit score is 635 to 679.  |
| 3 | Credit score is below 635 or, regardless of credit score, the loan has been classified, criticized or placed on watch. |

The following tables present the recorded investment in commercial and industrial loans and commercial real estate loans by class of loans and risk rating. Loans shown as Pass are all loans other than those risk rated Watch, Special Mention, Substandard or Doubtful.

September 30, 2015						
Internally Assigned Risk Rating						
	Pass	Watch	Special Mention	Substandard	Doubtful	Total
<i>(in thousands)</i>						
Commercial and industrial	\$83,963	\$1,106	\$ 200	\$ 71	\$ -	\$85,340
Commercial mortgages:						
Multifamily	549,353	-	4,882	1,883	-	556,118
Other	293,949	900	-	1,603	-	296,452
Owner-occupied	97,295	3,904	-	602	-	101,801
	\$1,024,560	\$5,910	\$5,082	\$ 4,159	\$ -	\$1,039,711
December 31, 2014						
Commercial and industrial	\$76,884	\$65	\$ -	\$ 191	\$ -	\$77,140
Commercial mortgages:						
Multifamily	519,274	7,610	1,906	303	-	529,093
Other	219,997	900	-	1,640	-	222,537
Owner-occupied	106,443	-	-	902	-	107,345
	\$922,598	\$8,575	\$ 1,906	\$ 3,036	\$ -	\$936,115

The following tables present the recorded investment in residential mortgages, home equity lines, and other consumer loans by class of loans and risk rating. Loans shown as Pass are all loans other than those risk rated Watch, Special Mention, Substandard or Doubtful.

September 30, 2015						
Internally Assigned Risk Rating						
	Pass	Watch	Special Mention	Substandard	Doubtful	Total
<i>(in thousands)</i>						
Residential mortgages:						
Closed end	\$967,773	\$1,034	\$ -	\$ 3,716	\$ -	\$972,523
Revolving home equity	84,135	-	99	572	-	84,806
Consumer and other	5,643	-	-	-	-	5,643
	\$1,057,551	\$1,034	\$ 99	\$ 4,288	\$ -	\$1,062,972
December 31, 2014						
Residential mortgages:						
Closed end	\$777,846	\$1,066	\$ -	\$ 1,082	\$ -	\$779,994
Revolving home equity	82,730	99	-	280	-	83,109



Consumer and other	5,122	-	-	-	-	5,122
	\$865,698	\$1,165	\$ -	\$ 1,362	\$ -	\$868,225

Deposit account overdrafts were \$206,000 and \$479,000 at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively. Overdrafts are not assigned a risk-rating and are therefore excluded from consumer loans in the tables above.

## ***5 - STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION***

On April 22, 2014, the stockholders of the Corporation approved the 2014 Equity Incentive Plan (“2014 Plan”). Upon approval of the 2014 Plan, no further awards could be made under the 2006 Stock Compensation Plan (“2006 Plan”).

**2014 Plan.** Under the 2014 Plan, awards may be granted to employees and non-employee directors as incentive stock options (“ISOs”) and non-qualified stock options (“NQSOs”), stock appreciation rights (“SARs”), restricted stock awards, restricted stock units (“RSUs”), or any combination thereof, any of which may be subject to performance-based vesting conditions. The exercise price of ISOs and NQSOs granted under the 2014 Plan may not be less than the fair market value of the Corporation’s common stock on the date the stock option is granted. 1,500,000 shares of the Corporation’s common stock are reserved for awards under the 2014 Plan. Awards granted under the 2006 Plan that expire or are forfeited after April 22, 2014 will be added to the number of shares of common stock reserved for issuance of awards under the 2014 Plan. All of the 1,500,000 shares may be issued pursuant to the exercise of stock options or SARs. A maximum of 525,000 shares may be issued as restricted stock awards or RSUs. At September 30, 2015, 1,419,666 shares of common stock remain available for issuance of awards under the 2014 Plan of which 437,701 shares remain available for issuance as restricted stock awards or RSUs. The 2014 Plan is administered by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors.

**2006 Plan.** The 2006 Plan was approved by the stockholders of the Corporation on April 18, 2006. The 2006 Plan permitted the granting of stock options, SARs, restricted stock awards and RSUs to employees and non-employee directors. Under the terms of the 2006 Plan, stock options and SARs could not have an exercise price that was less than 100% of the fair market value of one share of the underlying common stock on the date of grant. The Board of Directors used a five year vesting period and a ten year term for stock options granted under the 2006 Plan.

All awards made to date under the 2014 and 2006 Plans immediately vest in the event of a change in control, total and permanent disability, as defined, or death. In addition, except for RSUs granted in January 2015 to the officers named in the Corporation's most recent proxy statement ("NEOs"), all awards granted to date immediately vest upon retirement.

**Fair Value of Stock Option Awards.** The grant date fair value of option awards is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model.

**Fair Value of RSUs.** The grant date fair value of RSUs is based on the market price of the shares underlying the awards on the grant date, discounted for dividends which are not paid on RSUs.

**Compensation Expense.** Compensation expense for stock options is recognized ratably over a five-year vesting period or the period from the grant date to the grantee's eligible retirement date, whichever is shorter. Compensation expense for RSUs that vest based on the financial performance of the Corporation is recognized over a three-year performance period and adjusted periodically to reflect the estimated number of shares of the Corporation's common stock into which the RSUs will ultimately be convertible. However, except for RSUs granted to NEOs in January 2015, if the period from the grant date to the grantee's eligible retirement date is less than three years, compensation expense is recognized ratably over this shorter period. Compensation expense for service-based RSUs is recognized over the applicable service-based vesting period.

In determining compensation expense for stock options and RSUs outstanding and not yet vested, the Corporation assumes, based on prior experience, that no forfeitures will occur. The Corporation recorded compensation expense for share-based payments of \$1,053,000 and \$893,000 and recognized related income tax benefits of \$434,000 and \$363,000 in the first nine months of 2015 and 2014, respectively.

**Stock Option Activity.** The following table presents a summary of options outstanding under the Corporation's stock-based compensation plans as of September 30, 2015, and changes during the nine-month period then ended.

Weighted-

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	Number of Options	Weighted- Average Exercise Price	Average Remaining Contractual Term (yrs.)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in thousands)
Outstanding at January 1, 2015	278,925	\$ 15.74		
Granted	500	25.59		
Exercised	(35,045 )	14.96		
Forfeited or expired	-	-		
Outstanding at September 30, 2015	244,380	\$ 15.87	3.36	\$ 2,726
Exercisable at September 30, 2015	230,381	\$ 15.65	3.24	\$ 2,622

All options outstanding at September 30, 2015 are either fully vested or expected to vest. The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the first nine months of 2015 and 2014 was \$401,000 and \$516,000, respectively.

**RSU Activity.** The following table presents a summary of RSUs outstanding under the Corporation's stock-based compensation plans as of September 30, 2015 and changes during the nine-month period then ended.

	Number of RSUs	Weighted- Average Grant-Date Fair Value	Weighted- Average Remaining Contractual Term (yrs.)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in thousands)
Outstanding at January 1, 2015	127,181	\$ 20.56		
Granted	74,438	21.35		
Converted	(41,138 )	17.21		
Forfeited	(1,370 )	22.61		
Outstanding at September 30, 2015	159,111	\$ 21.78	1.45	\$ 4,301
Vested and Convertible at September 30, 2015	-	\$ -	-	\$ -

The number of RSUs in the table represents the maximum number of shares of the Corporation's common stock into which the RSUs can be converted. All of the RSUs outstanding at September 30, 2015 are currently expected to vest and become convertible in the future. The total intrinsic value of RSUs converted during the first nine months of 2015 and 2014 was \$965,000 and \$348,000, respectively.

**Unrecognized Compensation Cost.** As of September 30, 2015, there was \$1,549,000 of total unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested equity awards comprised of \$25,000 for options and \$1,524,000 for RSUs. The total cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.9 years, which is based on weighted-average periods of .9 years and 2.0 years for options and RSUs, respectively.

**Cash Received and Tax Benefits Realized.** Cash received from option exercises for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014 was \$524,000 and \$766,000, respectively. The actual tax benefits realized for the tax deductions from option exercises for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014 were \$157,000 and \$189,000, respectively.

**Other.** No cash was used to settle stock options during the first nine months of 2015 or 2014. The Corporation uses newly issued shares to settle stock option exercises and for the conversion of RSUs.

## 6 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

The following table sets forth the components of net periodic pension cost.

	Nine Months Ended		Three Months Ended	
	September 30, 2015	September 30, 2014	September 30, 2015	September 30, 2014
	<i>(in thousands)</i>			
Service cost including expected expenses and net of expected plan participant contributions	\$892	\$837	\$297	\$279
Interest cost	1,055	1,056	351	352
Expected return on plan assets	(2,314)	(2,256)	(770)	(752)
Amortization of prior service cost	-	11	-	4
Amortization of net actuarial loss	-	-	-	-
Net pension credit	\$(367)	\$(352)	\$(122)	\$(117)

The Bank makes cash contributions to the pension plan (“Plan”) which comply with the funding requirements of applicable Federal laws and regulations. For funding purposes, the laws and regulations set forth both minimum required and maximum tax-deductible contributions. The Bank has no minimum required pension contribution for the Plan year ending September 30, 2015 and it cannot make a tax-deductible contribution for the tax year beginning January 1, 2015.

## **7 - FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

***Financial Instruments Recorded at Fair Value.*** When measuring fair value, the Corporation uses a fair value hierarchy, which is designed to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. The hierarchy involves three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Corporation has the ability to access at the measurement date.

Level 2: Significant other observable inputs other than Level 1 prices such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active; or inputs other than quoted prices that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data.

Level 3: Significant unobservable inputs that reflect the Corporation's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability.

The Corporation deems transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy to have occurred on the date of the event or change in circumstance that caused the transfer. There were no transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy during the nine months ended September 30, 2015 or 2014.

The fair values of the Corporation's investment securities designated as available-for-sale at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014 are set forth in the tables that follow. These values are determined on a recurring basis using matrix pricing (Level 2 inputs). Matrix pricing, which is a mathematical technique widely used in the industry to value debt securities, does not rely exclusively on quoted prices for the specific securities but rather on the relationship of such securities to other benchmark quoted securities.

	Fair Value Measurements			
	Using:			
	Quoted	Significant	Other	Significant
	Prices	Inputs	Markets	Inputs
	in	in	for	for
	Active	Other	Observable	Unobservable
	Markets	Markets	Markets	Markets
	for	for	for	for
	Identical	Identical	Identical	Identical
	Assets	Assets	Assets	Assets
	(Level	(Level	(Level	(Level
	1)	2)	3)	3)
<b>September 30, 2015:</b>	Total	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)
Available-for-Sale Securities:	<i>(in thousands)</i>			
State and municipals	\$427,493	\$-	\$ 427,493	\$ -
Pass-through mortgage securities	156,226	-	156,226	-
Collateralized mortgage obligations	168,317	-	168,317	-
	\$752,036	\$-	\$ 752,036	\$ -
<b>December 31, 2014:</b>				
Available-for-Sale Securities:				
State and municipals	\$411,797	\$-	\$ 411,797	\$ -
Pass-through mortgage securities	131,181	-	131,181	-
Collateralized mortgage obligations	231,167	-	231,167	-
	\$774,145	\$-	\$ 774,145	\$ -

Assets measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis at December 31, 2014, are set forth in the table that follows. There were no such assets at September 30, 2015. Real estate appraisals utilized in measuring the fair value of impaired loans may employ a single valuation approach or a combination of approaches including comparable sales and the income approach. Adjustments are routinely made in the appraisal process by the independent appraisers to adjust for differences between the comparable sales and income data available. In arriving at fair value, the Corporation adjusts the value set forth in the appraisal by deducting costs to sell and a distressed sale adjustment, if needed. The adjustments made by the appraisers and the Corporation are deemed to be significant unobservable inputs and therefore result in a Level 3 classification of the inputs used for determining the fair value of impaired loans. Because the Corporation has a small amount of impaired loans measured at fair value, the impact of unobservable inputs on the Corporation's financial statements is not material.

	Fair Value Measurements			
	Using:			
	Quoted	Significant	Other	Significant
	Prices	Inputs	Markets	Inputs
	in	in	for	for
	Active	Other	Observable	Unobservable
	Markets	Markets	Markets	Markets
	for	for	for	for
	Identical	Identical	Identical	Identical
	Assets	Assets	Assets	Assets
	(Level	(Level	(Level	(Level
	1)	2)	3)	3)

	Identical Assets		
	Total	(Level 1)	(Level 2) (Level 3)
December 31, 2014:	<i>(in thousands)</i>		
Impaired loans:			
Residential mortgages - closed end	\$173	\$-	\$ 173

The impaired loan set forth in the preceding table had a principal balance of \$179,000 and valuation allowance of \$6,000 at December 31, 2014. During the nine and three month periods ended September 30, 2015, the Corporation recorded credit provisions for loan losses of \$6,000 and \$0, respectively, for impaired loans measured at fair value. During the nine and three month periods ended September 30, 2014, the Corporation recorded credit provisions for loan losses of \$39,000 and \$1,000, respectively, for impaired loans measured at fair value.

***Financial Instruments Not Recorded at Fair Value.*** Fair value estimates are made at a specific point in time. Such estimates are generally subjective in nature and dependent upon a number of significant assumptions associated with each financial instrument or group of similar financial instruments, including estimates of discount rates, risks associated with specific financial instruments, estimates of future cash flows, and relevant available market information. Changes in assumptions could significantly affect the estimates. In addition, fair value estimates do not reflect the value of anticipated future business, premiums or discounts that could result from offering for sale at one time the Corporation's entire holdings of a particular financial instrument, or the tax consequences of realizing gains or losses on the sale of financial instruments.

The following table sets forth the carrying amounts and estimated fair values of financial instruments that are not recorded at fair value in the Corporation's financial statements at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

	Level of Fair Value Hierarchy	September 30, 2015		December 31, 2014	
		Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Fair Value
<i>(in thousands)</i>					
<b>Financial Assets:</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	Level 1	\$33,364	\$33,364	\$32,944	\$32,944
Held-to-maturity securities	Level 2	16,771	17,553	21,119	22,156
Held-to-maturity securities	Level 3	1,917	1,917	714	714
Loans	Level 3	2,077,369	2,079,464	1,781,425	1,765,202
Restricted stock	Level 1	21,174	21,174	23,304	23,304
Accrued interest receivable:					
Investment securities	Level 2	4,792	4,792	4,689	4,689
Loans	Level 3	5,302	5,302	4,355	4,355
<b>Financial Liabilities:</b>					
Checking deposits	Level 1	766,427	766,427	655,753	655,753
Savings, NOW and money market deposits	Level 1	1,215,675	1,215,675	1,000,325	1,000,325
Time deposits	Level 2	322,470	327,853	328,947	333,992
Short-term borrowings	Level 1	63,100	63,100	136,486	136,486
Long-term debt	Level 2	356,862	358,880	345,000	348,519
Accrued interest payable:					
Checking, savings, NOW and money market deposits	Level 1	34	34	27	27
Time deposits	Level 2	4,859	4,859	5,077	5,077
Short-term borrowings	Level 1	1	1	1	1
Long-term debt	Level 2	611	611	667	667

The following methods and assumptions are used by the Corporation in measuring the fair value of financial instruments disclosed in the preceding table.

*Cash and cash equivalents.* The recorded book value of cash and cash equivalents is their fair value.

*Investment securities.* Fair values are generally based on quoted prices for similar assets in active markets or derived principally from observable market data.

*Loans.* The total loan portfolio is divided into three segments: (1) residential mortgages; (2) commercial mortgages and commercial loans; and (3) consumer loans. Each segment is further divided into pools of loans with similar



financial characteristics (i.e. product type, fixed versus variable rate, time to rate reset, length of term, conforming versus nonconforming). Cash flows for each pool, including estimated prepayments if applicable, are discounted utilizing market or internal benchmarks which management believes are reflective of current market rates for similar loan products. The discounted value of the cash flows is reduced by the related allowance for loan losses to arrive at an estimate of fair value.

*Restricted stock.* The recorded book value of Federal Home Loan Bank stock and Federal Reserve Bank stock is their fair value because the stock is redeemable at cost.

*Deposit liabilities.* The fair value of deposits with no stated maturity, such as checking deposits, money market deposits, NOW accounts and savings deposits, is equal to their recorded book value. The fair value of time deposits is based on the discounted value of contractual cash flows. The discount rate is equivalent to the rate at which the Bank could currently replace these deposits with wholesale borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank.

*Borrowed funds.* For short-term borrowings maturing within ninety days, the recorded book value is a reasonable estimate of fair value. The fair value of long-term debt is based on the discounted value of contractual cash flows. The discount rate is equivalent to the rate at which the Bank could currently replace these borrowings with wholesale borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank.

*Accrued interest receivable and payable.* For these short-term instruments, the recorded book value is a reasonable estimate of fair value.

*Off-balance-sheet items.* The fair value of off-balance sheet items is not considered to be material.

## ***8 - IMPACT OF ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE ACCOUNTING STANDARDS***

The pronouncements discussed in this section are not intended to be an all-inclusive list, but rather only those pronouncements that could potentially have an impact on the Corporation's financial position, results of operations or disclosures.

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-09 "Revenue from Contracts with Customers." The amendments in ASU 2014-09 are intended to improve financial reporting by providing a comprehensive framework for addressing revenue recognition issues that can be applied to all contracts with customers regardless of industry-specific or transaction-specific fact patterns. While the guidance in ASU 2014-09 supersedes most existing industry-specific revenue recognition accounting guidance, much of a bank's revenue comes from financial instruments such as debt securities and loans that are scoped-out of the guidance. The amendments also include improved disclosures to enable users of financial statements to better understand the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue that is recognized. For public entities such as the Corporation, ASU 2014-09, as amended, is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017. Early adoption is permitted for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016. Management is currently evaluating the impact that the amendments in ASU 2014-09 could have on the Corporation's financial position, results of operations and disclosures, but does not currently believe that such impact will be material.

In June 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-12 "Accounting for Share-Based Payments When the Terms of an Award Provide That a Performance Target Could Be Achieved after the Requisite Service Period." ASU 2014-12 provides guidance on the accounting for share-based payments in which the terms of an award provide that an employee can cease rendering service before the end of the period in which a performance target could be achieved and still be eligible to vest in the award if and when the performance target is achieved. The amendments in ASU 2014-12 are effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2015. Early adoption is permitted. ASU 2014-12 is not expected to have a material impact on the Corporation's financial position, results of operations or disclosures.

## **ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

The following is management's discussion and analysis of The First of Long Island Corporation's financial condition and operating results during the periods included in the accompanying consolidated financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with such financial statements. The Corporation's financial condition and operating results principally reflect those of its wholly-owned subsidiary, The First National Bank of Long Island, and subsidiaries wholly-owned by the Bank, either directly or indirectly, FNY Service Corp., The First of Long Island REIT, Inc. and The First of Long Island Agency, Inc. The consolidated entity is referred to as the "Corporation" and the Bank and its subsidiaries are collectively referred to as the "Bank." Although, the Bank's primary service area is Nassau and Suffolk

Counties, Long Island, it does have two commercial banking branches in Manhattan, one branch in Queens and is in the process of opening three new branches over the next twelve months, including one in Queens.

## Overview

Net income and earnings per share for the first nine months of 2015 were \$19.3 million and \$1.36, respectively, representing increases over the same period last year of 9.8% and 7.9%, respectively. Dividends per share increased 9.4%, from \$.53 for the first nine months of 2014 to \$.58 for the current nine-month period. Returns on average assets (ROA) and average equity (ROE) for the first nine months of 2015 were .91% and 10.79%, respectively, versus .95% and 10.60%, respectively, for the same period last year. Book value per share increased from \$16.80 at year-end 2014 to \$17.61 at the close of the current quarter. The credit quality of the Bank's loan and securities portfolios remain excellent and the mortgage pipeline at quarter-end remained strong at \$146 million.

***Analysis of Earnings – Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015.*** Net income increased \$1.7 million when comparing the first nine months of 2015 to the same period last year. The increase is attributable to increases in net interest income of \$5.5 million, or 11.2%, and noninterest income, before securities gains, of \$194,000, or 3.5%. The positive impact of these items on earnings was partially offset by an increase in noninterest expense, before debt extinguishment costs, of \$3.1 million, or 10.0%, and increases in the provision for loan losses of \$258,000 and income tax expense of \$620,000.

The increase in net interest income was driven by growth in average interest-earning assets of \$350.5 million, or 14.6%, partially offset by a 12 basis point decline in net interest margin. The growth in average interest-earning assets is primarily comprised of growth in the average balances of loans and nontaxable securities, partially offset by a decrease in the average balance of taxable securities. The shift from taxable securities to better yielding loans and nontaxable securities partially mitigated the negative impact on net interest income of a low interest rate environment. The 12 basis point decline in net interest margin from 3.05% for the first nine months of 2014 to 2.93% for the current nine month period occurred as cash flows were deployed in a low interest rate environment. Net interest margin also came down as prepayments on loans and securities sometimes resulted in the immediate writeoff of deferred costs on loans and the faster amortization of purchase premiums on securities. During 2015, net interest margin remained relatively stable quarter-to-quarter amounting to 2.91%, 2.94% and 2.94% for the first, second and third quarters, respectively.

The \$194,000 increase in noninterest income before securities gains is primarily attributable to real estate and sales tax refunds in the first nine months of 2015 and increases in cash value accretion on bank-owned life insurance and credit card processing fees. The positive impact of these items was partially offset by a decrease in service charges on deposit accounts and a net gain during the 2014 period on the sale of loans held-for-sale.



The \$3.1 million increase in noninterest expense before debt extinguishment costs is comprised of increases in salaries, employee benefits expense, occupancy and equipment expense and growth-related increases in FDIC insurance expense and the Bank's OCC assessment.

The \$620,000 increase in income tax expense is attributable to an increase in pretax earnings and changes in New York City income tax law effective January 1, 2015, as partially offset by changes in New York State tax law also effective January 1, 2015. The changes in New York City income tax law resulted in a one-time charge of \$402,000 to establish a New York City deferred income tax liability as of the effective date of the legislation and an increase in income tax expense of \$60,000 for the period.

**Asset Quality.** The Bank's allowance for loan losses to total loans (reserve coverage ratio) decreased by 8 basis points from 1.29% at year-end 2014 to 1.21% at September 30, 2015. The decrease in the reserve coverage ratio is primarily due to a continued improvement in economic conditions, partially offset by an increase in specific reserves on loans individually deemed to be impaired.

The credit quality of the Bank's loan portfolio remains excellent. Nonaccrual loans amounted to \$3.2 million, or .15% of total loans outstanding, at September 30, 2015, compared to \$1.7 million, or .09%, at December 31, 2014. The increase in nonaccrual loans is primarily attributable to three loans transferred to nonaccrual status, partially offset by loan sales and paydowns. Troubled debt restructurings increased during the first nine months of 2015 to \$4.5 million at September 30, 2015. Of this amount, \$3.6 million are performing in accordance with their modified terms and \$918,000 are nonaccrual and included in the aforementioned amount of nonaccrual loans. Loans past due 30 through 89 days amounted to \$1.2 million, or .05% of total loans outstanding, at September 30, 2015, compared to \$2.2 million, or .12%, at December 31, 2014. Management does not believe that the increase in nonaccrual loans and troubled debt restructurings is indicative of deterioration in the overall credit quality of the Bank's loan portfolio.

The credit quality of the Bank's securities portfolio also remains excellent. The Bank's mortgage securities are backed by mortgages underwritten on conventional terms, with 70% of these securities being full faith and credit obligations of the U.S. government and the balance being obligations of U.S. government sponsored entities. The remainder of the Bank's securities portfolio principally consists of high quality, general obligation municipal securities rated AA or better by major rating agencies. In selecting municipal securities for purchase, the Bank uses credit agency ratings for screening purposes only and then performs its own credit analysis. On an ongoing basis, the Bank periodically assesses the credit strength of the municipal securities in its portfolio and makes decisions to hold or sell based on such assessments.

**Key Strategic Initiatives.** Key strategic initiatives will continue to include loan and deposit growth through effective relationship management, targeted solicitation efforts, new product offerings and continued expansion of the Bank's branch distribution system. Additionally, with respect to loan growth, the Bank will continue to develop and diversify its existing broker and correspondent relationships. All loans originated through such relationships are underwritten by

Bank personnel. The Bank currently has 42 branches, anticipates opening three new branches over the next twelve months and on an ongoing basis continues to evaluate sites for further branch expansion.

***Challenges We Face.*** Intermediate and long-term interest rates are low and volatile and impacted by both national and global forces. Such rates could remain low for the foreseeable future and thereby cause both investing and lending rates to be suboptimal. There is significant price competition for loans in the Bank's marketplace and little room for the Bank to further reduce its deposit rates. Higher yielding loans continue to prepay and are replaced with lower yielding loans and there is an ongoing need, from an interest rate risk perspective, to term-fund a portion of the Bank's loan growth with time deposits and wholesale borrowings. In the current interest rate environment, the spread between lending rates and term-funding rates is relatively small. These factors could result in a decline in net interest margin from its current level and will continue to inhibit earnings growth for the foreseeable future.

The banking industry continues to be faced with new and complex regulatory requirements and enhanced supervisory oversight. These factors are exerting downward pressure on revenues and upward pressure on required capital levels and the cost of doing business.

**Net Interest Income**

**Average Balance Sheet; Interest Rates and Interest Differential.** The following table sets forth the average daily balances for each major category of assets, liabilities and stockholders' equity as well as the amounts and average rates earned or paid on each major category of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities. The average balances of investment securities include unrealized gains and losses on available-for-sale securities, and the average balances of loans include nonaccrual loans.

	Nine Months Ended September 30,						
	2015			2014			
	Average Balance	Interest/ Dividends	Average Rate	Average Balance	Interest/ Dividends	Average Rate	
<b>Assets</b>	<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>						
Interest-bearing bank balances	\$22,099	\$ 42	.25	% \$14,826	\$ 27	.24	%
Investment securities:							
Taxable	360,919	6,074	2.24	433,680	7,118	2.19	
Nontaxable (1)	436,941	15,430	4.71	410,064	15,156	4.93	
Loans (1)	1,929,159	51,339	3.55	1,540,025	43,632	3.78	
Total interest-earning assets	2,749,118	72,885	3.53	2,398,595	65,933	3.67	
Allowance for loan losses	(24,052 )			(21,210 )			
Net interest-earning assets	2,725,066			2,377,385			
Cash and due from banks	28,723			26,899			
Premises and equipment, net	28,720			25,893			
Other assets	59,100			43,367			
	\$2,841,609			\$2,473,544			
<b>Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity</b>							
Savings, NOW & money market deposits	\$1,134,741	1,840	.22	\$951,400	1,432	.20	
Time deposits	322,312	4,565	1.89	307,874	4,539	1.97	
Total interest-bearing deposits	1,457,053	6,405	.59	1,259,274	5,971	.63	
Short-term borrowings	50,705	113	.30	51,726	124	.32	
Long-term debt	363,937	5,877	2.16	294,176	4,989	2.27	
Total interest-bearing liabilities	1,871,695	12,395	.89	1,605,176	11,084	.92	
Checking deposits	709,896			627,215			
Other liabilities	21,250			19,657			
	2,602,841			2,252,048			
Stockholders' equity	238,768			221,496			
	\$2,841,609			\$2,473,544			
Net interest income (1)		\$ 60,490			\$ 54,849		
Net interest spread (1)			2.64	%		2.75	%
Net interest margin (1)			2.93	%		3.05	%

(1) Tax-equivalent basis. Interest income on a tax-equivalent basis includes the additional amount of interest income that would have been earned if the Corporation's investment in tax-exempt loans and investment securities had been made in loans and investment securities subject to Federal income taxes yielding the same after-tax income. The tax-equivalent amount of \$1.00 of nontaxable income was \$1.52 in each period presented, based on a Federal income tax rate of 34%.



**Rate/Volume Analysis.** The following table sets forth the effect of changes in volumes, rates and rate/volume on tax-equivalent interest income, interest expense and net interest income.

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015 Versus 2014			
	Increase (decrease) due to changes in:			
	Volume	Rate	Rate/ Volume (1)	Net Change
	<i>(in thousands)</i>			
<b>Interest Income:</b>				
Interest-bearing bank balances	\$12	\$1	\$2	\$15
Investment securities:				
Taxable	(1,190)	168	(22)	(1,044)
Nontaxable	1,000	(671)	(55)	274
Loans	11,060	(2,629)	(724)	7,707
Total interest income	10,882	(3,131)	(799)	6,952
<b>Interest Expense:</b>				
Savings, NOW & money market deposits	265	134	9	408
Time deposits	212	(186)	-	26
Short-term borrowings	(3)	(8)	-	(11)
Long-term debt	1,191	(237)	(66)	888
Total interest expense	1,665	(297)	(57)	1,311
Increase (decrease) in net interest income	\$9,217	\$(2,834)	\$(742)	\$5,641

(1) Represents the change not solely attributable to change in rate or change in volume but a combination of these two factors. The rate/volume variance could be allocated between the volume and rate variances shown in the table based on the absolute value of each to the total for both.

### Net Interest Income

Net interest income on a tax-equivalent basis for the first nine months of 2015 was \$60.5 million, an increase of \$5.6 million, or 10.3%, over \$54.8 million for the first nine months of 2014. The increase resulted from an increase in average interest-earning assets of \$350.5 million, or 14.6%, partially offset by a 12 basis point decline in net interest margin from 3.05% to 2.93%.

The increase in average interest-earning assets is primarily comprised of growth in the average balances of loans of \$389.1 million, or 25.3%, and nontaxable securities of \$26.9 million, or 6.6%, partially offset by a decrease in the

average balance of taxable securities of \$72.8 million, or 16.8%. Although most of the loan growth occurred in residential and commercial mortgage loans, commercial and industrial loans grew as well. The increase in the commercial and industrial loans includes growth in the Bank's small business credit scored loan products. The Bank's continued ability to grow loans is attributable to a variety of factors including, among others, competitive pricing, targeted solicitation efforts, advertising campaigns, broker and correspondent relationships for both residential and commercial mortgages and the introduction of new loan products.

Growth in loans and nontaxable securities, to the extent not funded by the decline in taxable securities, was funded by growth in the average balances of noninterest-bearing checking deposits of \$82.7 million, or 13.2%, interest-bearing deposits of \$197.8 million, or 15.7%, and long-term debt of \$69.8 million, or 23.7%. The increase in long-term debt resulted from management's desire to reduce the impact that an eventual increase in interest rates could have on the Bank's earnings. The Bank's ongoing ability to grow deposits is attributable to, among other things, continued expansion of the Bank's branch distribution system, targeted solicitation of local commercial businesses and municipalities, new and expanded lending relationships, new small business checking and loan products and the expansion of merchant sales relationships. In addition, management believes that the Bank's positive reputation and growing recognition in its marketplace have contributed to both loan and deposit growth.

Intermediate and long-term interest rates remain low and volatile. In a low interest rate environment: (1) loans are sometimes originated and investments are sometimes made at yields lower than existing portfolio yields; (2) some loans prepay in full resulting in the immediate writeoff of deferred costs while the rates on other loans are modified downward; (3) prepayment speeds on mortgage securities are elevated resulting in the faster amortization of purchase premiums; (4) the benefit of no cost funding in the form of noninterest-bearing checking deposits and capital is suppressed; and (5) the Bank's continuing ability to reduce deposit rates diminishes. These factors are primarily responsible for a 12 basis point decline in net interest margin and an 11 basis point decline in net interest spread when comparing the current nine month period to the same period last year. These factors also explain why strong growth in the average balance of loans of 25.3% was accompanied by lesser growth of 11.2% in net interest income.

## **Noninterest Income**

Noninterest income includes service charges on deposit accounts, Investment Management Division income, gains or losses on sales of securities, and all other items of income, other than interest, resulting from the business activities of the Corporation.

Noninterest income before securities gains increased \$194,000, or 3.5%, when comparing the first nine months of 2015 to the same period last year. The increase is primarily attributable to real estate and sales tax refunds in the first nine months of 2015 of \$204,000 and \$91,000, respectively, and increases of \$274,000 and \$68,000 in cash value accretion on bank-owned life insurance and credit card processing fees. The positive impact of these items was partially offset by a decrease in service charges on deposit accounts of \$322,000 resulting largely from a decrease in deposit account overdraft activity and a net gain of \$165,000 during the 2014 period on the sale of loans held-for-sale. Cash value accretion increased due to a purchase of bank-owned life insurance with an initial cash value of \$16.9 million during the fourth quarter of 2014. Also contributing to the increase in noninterest income was the successful deployment by management in recent years of a variety of noninterest income initiatives which resulted in growth in wire transfer service charges, debit card interchange fees and ATM fees.

## **Noninterest Expense**

Noninterest expense is comprised of salaries, employee benefits, occupancy and equipment expense and other operating expenses incurred in supporting the various business activities of the Corporation.

Noninterest expense before debt extinguishment costs increased \$3.1 million, or 10.0%, when comparing the first nine months of 2015 to the same period last year. The increase is primarily attributable to increases in salaries of \$1.7 million, or 12.3%, employee benefits expense of \$793,000, or 22.3%, occupancy and equipment expense of \$192,000, or 3.0%, and growth-related increases in FDIC insurance expense and the Bank's OCC assessment. The increase in salaries is primarily due to branch openings, additions to staff in the back office, normal annual salary adjustments and higher stock-based compensation expense. The increase in employee benefits expense is largely due to an increase in incentive compensation cost, an increase in payroll tax expense resulting from additions to staff, an increase in group health insurance expense resulting from increases in staff count and the rates being paid for group health insurance and an increase in supplemental executive retirement expense. The increase in occupancy and equipment expense is largely due to branch openings, increases in general maintenance and repairs expense and the cost of servicing equipment.

## **Deleveraging Transaction**

During the second quarter of 2015 the Bank completed a deleveraging transaction that involved the sale of \$61.8 million of available-for-sale securities at a gain of \$995,000 and utilization of the resulting proceeds to prepay \$63.5 million of long-term debt at a cost of \$1,084,000. The primary purpose of the transaction was to reduce the size of the Corporation's balance sheet and thereby provide capital to accommodate future growth. Since the yield on the securities sold was approximately equal to the cost of the prepaid debt, the transaction will have negligible impact on net interest income on a going forward basis and will serve to improve net interest margin.

## **Income Taxes**

Income tax expense as a percentage of book income ("effective tax rate") was 23.3% for the first nine months of 2015 compared to 22.9% for the same period last year. The main contributor to the increase in the effective tax rate was the changes in New York City income tax law enacted April 1, 2015 and effective January 1, 2015, partially offset by a reduction in the Bank's New York State income tax burden due to changes in New York State income tax law that became effective January 1, 2015.

## **Results of Operations – Third Quarter 2015 Versus Third Quarter 2014**

Net income for the third quarter of 2015 was \$6.5 million, an increase of \$457,000, or 7.5%, over the comparable period last year. The increase is primarily attributable to an increase in net interest income of \$1.7 million, or 9.8%, partially offset by increases in salaries and employee benefits expense of \$513,000 and \$405,000, respectively, and a \$225,000 gain during the third quarter of 2014 on the sale of a loan held-for-sale. The increases in net interest income, salaries and employee benefits expense occurred for substantially the same reasons discussed above with respect to the nine month periods.

## **Application of Critical Accounting Policies**

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported asset and liability balances and revenue and expense amounts. Our determination of the allowance for loan losses is a critical accounting estimate because it is based on our subjective evaluation of a variety of factors at a specific point in time and involves difficult and complex judgments about matters that are inherently uncertain. In the event that management's estimate needs to be adjusted based on, among other things, additional information that comes to light after the estimate is made or changes in circumstances, such adjustment could result in the need for a significantly different allowance for loan losses and thereby materially impact, either positively or negatively, the Bank's results of operations.



The Bank's Allowance for Loan and Lease Losses Committee ("ALLL Committee"), which is chaired by the Chief Credit Officer, meets on a quarterly basis and is responsible for determining the allowance for loan losses after considering, among other things, the results of credit reviews performed by the Bank's independent loan review consultants and the Bank's credit department. In addition, and in consultation with the Bank's Chief Financial Officer and Chief Risk Officer, the ALLL Committee is responsible for implementing and maintaining accounting policies and procedures surrounding the calculation of the required allowance. The Board Loan Committee reviews and approves the Bank's Allowance for Loan and Lease Losses Policy at least once each calendar year. The Bank's allowance for loan losses is reviewed and ratified by the Board Loan Committee on a quarterly basis and is subject to periodic examination by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency ("OCC") whose safety and soundness examination includes a determination as to its adequacy to absorb probable incurred losses.

The first step in determining the allowance for loan losses is to identify loans in the Bank's portfolio that are individually deemed to be impaired and then measure impairment losses based on either the fair value of collateral or the discounted value of expected future cash flows. In estimating the fair value of real estate collateral, management utilizes appraisals or evaluations adjusted for costs to dispose and a distressed sale adjustment, if needed. Estimating the fair value of collateral other than real estate is also subjective in nature and sometimes requires difficult and complex judgments. Determining expected future cash flows can be more subjective than determining fair values. Expected future cash flows could differ significantly, both in timing and amount, from the cash flows actually received over the loan's remaining life.

In addition to estimating losses for loans individually deemed to be impaired, management also estimates collective impairment losses for pools of loans that are not specifically reviewed. The Bank's highest average annualized loss experience over periods of 24, 36, 48 or 60 months is generally the starting point in determining its allowance for loan losses for each pool of loans. Management believes that this approach appropriately reflects losses from the current economic cycle and those incurred losses in the Bank's loan portfolio. However, since future losses could vary significantly from those experienced in the past, on a quarterly basis management adjusts its historical loss experience to reflect current conditions. In doing so, management considers a variety of general qualitative factors and then subjectively determines the weight to assign to each in estimating losses. The factors include, among others: (1) delinquencies, (2) economic conditions as judged by things such as median home prices and commercial vacancy rates in the Bank's service area and national and local unemployment levels, (3) trends in the nature and volume of loans, (4) concentrations of credit, (5) changes in lending policies and procedures, (6) experience, ability and depth of lending staff, (7) changes in the quality of the loan review function, (8) environmental risks, and (9) loan risk ratings. Substantially all of the Bank's allowance for loan losses allocable to pools of loans that are collectively evaluated for impairment results from these qualitative adjustments to historical loss experience. Because of the nature of the qualitative factors and the difficulty in assessing their impact, management's resulting estimate of losses may not accurately reflect actual losses in the portfolio.

Although the allowance for loan losses has two separate components, one for impairment losses on individual loans and one for collective impairment losses on pools of loans, the entire allowance for loan losses is available to absorb realized losses as they occur whether they relate to individual loans or pools of loans.

**Asset Quality**

The Corporation has identified certain assets as risk elements. These assets include nonaccrual loans, other real estate owned, loans that are contractually past due 90 days or more as to principal or interest payments and still accruing and troubled debt restructurings. These assets present more than the normal risk that the Corporation will be unable to eventually collect or realize their full carrying value. Information about the Corporation's risk elements is set forth below.

	September 30, 2015	December 31, 2014		
	<i>(dollars in thousands)</i>			
Nonaccrual loans:				
Troubled debt restructurings	\$918	\$ 1,280		
Other	2,308	424		
Total nonaccrual loans	3,226	1,704		
Loans past due 90 days or more and still accruing	-	-		
Other real estate owned	-	-		
Total nonperforming assets	3,226	1,704		
Troubled debt restructurings - performing	3,618	704		
Total risk elements	\$6,844	\$ 2,408		
Nonaccrual loans as a percentage of total loans	.15	%	.09	%
Nonperforming assets as a percentage of total loans and other real estate owned	.15	%	.09	%
Risk elements as a percentage of total loans and other real estate owned	.33	%	.13	%

Performing troubled debt restructurings in the table above that were past due 30 through 89 days and still accruing at September 30, 2015 totaled \$6,000. The disclosure of other potential problem loans can be found in "Note 4 – Loans" to the Corporation's consolidated financial statements of this Form 10-Q.

### **Allowance and Provision for Loan Losses**

The allowance for loan losses is established through provisions for loan losses charged against income. When available information confirms that specific loans, or portions thereof, are uncollectible, these amounts are charged off against the allowance for loan losses, and subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited to the allowance for loan losses.

The allowance for loan losses increased \$2.3 million during the first nine months of 2015, amounting to \$25.5 million, or 1.21% of total loans, at September 30, 2015, compared to \$23.2 million, or 1.29% of total loans, at December 31, 2014. During the first nine months of 2015, the Bank had loan chargeoffs and recoveries of \$125,000 and \$22,000, respectively, and recorded a provision for loan losses of \$2.4 million. The \$2.4 million provision for loan losses in the first nine months of 2015 is primarily attributable to loan growth and the establishment of \$386,000 in specific reserves on two loans individually deemed to be impaired, partially offset by a continued improvement in economic conditions. During the first nine months of 2014, the Bank had loan chargeoffs and recoveries of \$797,000 and \$14,000, respectively, and recorded a provision for loan losses of \$2.1 million. Chargeoffs for the first nine months of 2014 included \$635,000 on loans transferred to held-for-sale during the period. The \$2.1 million provision for loan losses for the first nine months of 2014 was primarily attributable to loan growth and net chargeoffs, as partially offset by an improvement in economic conditions, a decrease in specific reserves on loans individually deemed to be impaired and a reduction in watch, special mention and substandard loans.

The allowance for loan losses is an amount that management currently believes will be adequate to absorb probable incurred losses in the Bank's loan portfolio. As more fully discussed in the "Application of Critical Accounting Policies" section of this discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations, the process for estimating credit losses and determining the allowance for loan losses as of any balance sheet date is subjective in nature and requires material estimates. Actual results could differ significantly from those estimates. Other detailed information on the Bank's allowance for loan losses, impaired loans and the aging of loans can be found in "Note 4 – Loans" to the Corporation's consolidated financial statements included in this Form 10-Q.

The amount of future chargeoffs and provisions for loan losses will be affected by, among other things, economic conditions on Long Island and in New York City. Such conditions could affect the financial strength of the Bank's borrowers and will affect the value of real estate collateral securing the Bank's mortgage loans. Loans secured by real estate represent approximately 96% of the Bank's total loans outstanding at September 30, 2015. Most of these loans were made to borrowers domiciled on Long Island and in the boroughs of New York City. Although economic conditions are showing signs of improvement, they have been sluggish for an extended period of time. These conditions have caused some of the Bank's borrowers to be unable to make the required contractual payments on their loans and could cause the Bank to be unable to realize the full carrying value of such loans through foreclosure or other collection efforts.



Future provisions and chargeoffs could also be affected by environmental impairment of properties securing the Bank's mortgage loans. At the present time, management is not aware of any environmental pollution originating on or near properties securing the Bank's loans that would materially affect the carrying value of such loans.

## Cash Flows and Liquidity

**Cash Flows.** The Corporation's primary sources of cash are deposits, maturities and amortization of loans and investment securities, operations and borrowings. The Corporation uses cash from these and other sources to fund loan growth, purchase investment securities, repay borrowings, expand and improve its physical facilities, pay cash dividends and for general operating purposes.

During the first nine months of 2015, the Corporation's cash and cash equivalent position increased by \$420,000, from \$32.9 million at December 31, 2014 to \$33.4 million at September 30, 2015. The increase occurred primarily because cash provided by deposit growth, sales and maturities of securities, paydowns of loans, new long-term borrowings and operations exceeded cash used to prepay or repay borrowings, originate loans and purchase securities.

Securities decreased \$25.3 million during the first nine months of 2015, from \$796.0 million at year-end 2014 to \$770.7 million at September 30, 2015. The decrease includes the sale of \$61.8 million of available-for-sale securities as part of the deleveraging transaction completed during the second quarter of 2015.

During the first nine months of 2015, total deposits grew \$319.5 million, or 16.1%, to \$2.3 billion at September 30, 2015. The increase was attributable to growth in savings, NOW and money market deposits of \$215.4 million, or 21.5%, and an increase in noninterest-bearing checking balances of \$110.7 million, or 16.9%.

Borrowings include short-term and long-term FHLB borrowings and liabilities under repurchase agreements. Total borrowings decreased \$61.5 million, or 12.8%, during the first nine months of 2015. The decrease is attributable to a reduction in short-term borrowings of \$73.4 million, partially offset by an increase in long-term debt of \$11.9 million. The increase in long-term debt is due to new long-term FHLB borrowings of \$85.4 million, partially offset by the payment of \$63.5 million of debt as part of the deleveraging transaction and the maturity of \$10 million of borrowings under repurchase agreements. Long-term debt totaled \$356.9 million at September 30, 2015, representing 85% of total borrowings at quarter-end. The Bank's long-term fixed rate borrowing position is intended to reduce the impact that an eventual increase in interest rates could have on the Bank's earnings.

**Liquidity.** The Bank has a board committee approved Liquidity Policy and Liquidity Contingency Plan, which are intended to ensure that the Bank has sufficient liquidity at all times to meet the ongoing needs of its customers in terms of credit and deposit outflows, take advantage of earnings enhancement opportunities and respond to liquidity stress conditions should they arise.

The Bank has both internal and external sources of liquidity that can be used to fund loan growth and accommodate deposit outflows. The Bank's primary internal sources of liquidity are its overnight investments, investment securities designated as available-for-sale, maturities and monthly payments on its investment securities and loan portfolios and operations. At September 30, 2015, the Bank had approximately \$333 million of unencumbered available-for-sale securities.

The Bank is a member of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York ("FRB") and the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York ("FHLB of New York"), has repurchase agreements in place with a number of brokerage firms and commercial banks and has federal funds lines with several commercial banks. In addition to customer deposits, the Bank's primary external sources of liquidity are secured borrowings from the FRB, FHLB of New York and repurchase agreement counterparties. In addition, the Bank can purchase overnight federal funds under its existing lines. However, the Bank's FRB membership, FHLB of New York membership, repurchase agreements and federal funds lines do not represent legal commitments to extend credit to the Bank. The amount that the Bank can potentially borrow is currently dependent on, among other things, the amount of unencumbered eligible securities and loans that the Bank can use as collateral and the collateral margins required by the lenders. Based on the Bank's unencumbered securities and loan collateral, a substantial portion of which is in place at the FRB and FHLB of New York, the Bank had borrowing capacity of approximately \$1.4 billion at September 30, 2015.

**Liquidity – Regulatory Rulemaking.** In December 2010, the Basel Committee published "Basel III: International Framework for Liquidity Risk Measurement, Standards and Monitoring" and in January 2013 published a revised liquidity coverage ratio (collectively referred to as the "Liquidity Standard"). The Liquidity Standard includes: (1) a liquidity coverage ratio to ensure that sufficient high quality liquid resources are available in case of a liquidity crisis; (2) a net stable funding ratio to promote liquidity resiliency over longer time horizons by creating incentives for banks to fund their activities with stable sources of funding on an ongoing basis; and (3) additional liquidity monitoring metrics focused on maturity mismatch, concentration of funding and available unencumbered assets. The Liquidity Standard will be phased-in through 2019.

In November 2013, the U.S. banking agencies issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking ("NPR") that would implement a quantitative liquidity requirement consistent with the liquidity coverage ratio established by the Basel Committee. The NPR would apply to all internationally active banking organizations, systemically important non-bank financial institutions and certain other large holding companies with more than \$50 billion in total assets. The transition period in the NPR is shorter than that provided by the Basel Committee. The U.S. banking agencies have not adopted or proposed rules to implement a quantitative liquidity requirement for community banks such as the Bank. As a result, it is uncertain whether such a requirement will be implemented for community banks and, if implemented, its potential impact on the Bank, if any.

## Capital

Stockholders' equity totaled \$247.3 million at September 30, 2015, an increase of \$14.0 million from \$233.3 million at December 31, 2014. The increase resulted primarily from net income of \$19.3 million and the issuance of shares under the Corporation's stock-based compensation, dividend reinvestment and stock purchase plans of \$3.0 million, partially offset by cash dividends declared of \$8.1 million and a decrease in the after-tax amount of unrealized gains on available-for-sale securities of \$1.0 million.

Effective with the third quarter 2015 cash dividend, the Corporation made a change to the stock purchase component of its Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan (the "Plan"). The amount of stock that participants in the Plan can purchase on a quarterly basis was increased from \$7,500 to \$15,000. This change is expected to provide additional capital that can be used to accommodate future growth.

The Corporation's capital management policy is designed to build and maintain capital levels that exceed regulatory standards. The Basel III regulatory capital ratios of the Corporation and the Bank as of September 30, 2015 are as follows:

	Corporation	Bank
Tier 1 leverage	8.18%	8.15%
Common Equity		
Tier 1 risk-based	13.43%	13.38%
Tier 1 risk-based	13.43%	13.38%
Total risk-based	14.69%	14.63%

These ratios exceed the requirements for a well-capitalized bank and, based on management's belief, are adequate in the current regulatory and economic environment. The strength of the Corporation's balance sheet from both a capital and asset quality perspective positions the Corporation for continued growth in a measured and disciplined fashion.

On January 1, 2015, the Corporation and the Bank implemented the Basel III regulatory capital standards issued by the Federal Reserve Board and the OCC. Implementation of Basel III did not have a material impact on the Corporation's or the Bank's regulatory capital position, lines of business or profitability.



## **New York State Tax Reform**

Effective January 1, 2015, the banking corporation franchise tax under Article 32 was repealed and banks are now subject to the general business corporation franchise tax under a substantially revised Article 9A.

While the following discussion is not intended to cover all aspects of the changes in New York State tax law impacting banks, it does address what management believes to be the more significant ones. Except where noted, the changes are effective for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2015.

- 1) The franchise tax rate on business income is reduced from 7.1% to 6.5% effective January 1, 2016.
  
- 2) The Metropolitan Commuter Transportation District tax surcharge is made permanent and raised from 17% to 25.6% of the franchise tax.
  
- 3) The alternative entire net income tax and tax on subsidiary capital are eliminated. As a result, banks will now pay a franchise tax equal to the highest of their calculated business income tax, capital tax or fixed dollar minimum tax. The maximum tax on capital is increased from \$1 million to \$5 million, and the fixed dollar minimum tax, which was previously capped at \$5,000, will range from \$5,000 to \$200,000.
  
- 4) The methodology for determining income apportionment, or the degree to which a bank's income is allocated to and taxed by New York State, is changing from a three-factor formula based on receipts, payroll and deposits to apportionment based solely on receipts. In addition, favorable apportionment treatment is provided for interest income from federal, state and municipal debt; asset backed securities; certain corporate bonds; and federal funds.
  
- 5) The 22.5% deduction for interest income on government obligations is eliminated.
  
- 6) The tax savings associated with a grandfathered Article 9A corporation, like FNY Service Corp., is eliminated.
  
- 7) For real estate investment trusts ("REITs") in place as of April 1, 2014 (grandfathered REITs), like The First of Long Island REIT, Inc., the law allows a subtraction modification to entire net income equal to 160% of the dividends paid

deduction allowed for federal income tax purposes.

8) For banks other than those that maintain grandfathered REITs during the tax year, there are two new alternative subtraction modifications in arriving at entire net income. Both subtraction modifications, as summarized below, are mutually exclusive and involve complex calculations and analyses.

a) Percentage-of-taxable-income bad debt deduction computed as the excess of 32 percent of taxable income before the deduction over the amount of the federal bad debt deduction already taken. This deduction is only available to thrifts and community banks, as defined, who satisfy the qualified thrift lender 60 percent asset test, as defined.

b) An exclusion of one-half of the net interest income of the institution from residential mortgages and small business loans, as defined.

9) All of the Corporation's entities need to be included in a combined New York State return.

For 2015, management has decided to use the new alternative subtraction modification for REITs.

### **New York City Tax Reform**

On April 1, 2015, legislation was enacted that reforms New York City income tax law effective January 1, 2015. Some of the more significant changes included in the legislation are as follows:

1) A new corporate tax contained in subchapter 3-A of chapter 6 of title 11 of New York City's administrative code replaces the existing general corporate tax and the bank franchise tax. This new corporate tax applies to all corporations other than insurance corporations, publicly supervised utilities and corporations and banks taxed under subchapter S of the Internal Revenue Code. Subchapter 3-A includes, with certain modifications, the statutory amendments recently made to New York State income tax law which also became effective January 1, 2015.

2) Combined reporting is required for corporations that conduct a unitary business and meet a more than 50% stock ownership test. Among other things, the combined group must include all domestic corporations and captive REITs.

- 3) Subchapter 3-A includes three bases of tax. The business income base, which replaces the entire net income tax base, is the primary tax base. The business capital and fixed dollar minimum tax bases are alternative minimum tax bases.
- 4) The rate of tax on business income varies by type of business and is 8.85% for the Corporation. The rate of tax on business capital is .15%, with a \$10,000 reduction applying to all capital tax calculations, and the maximum has been raised from \$1 million to \$10 million. The fixed dollar minimum tax ranges from \$25 to \$200,000 based on New York City sourced receipts.
- 5) Three factor apportionment of income and capital is being phased out in favor of single factor apportionment based solely on receipts. Single factor apportionment will be fully effective for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2018.

6) Customer-based sourcing rules apply for purposes of apportioning receipts. Receipts from mortgage loans secured by properties in New York City and from other loans whose borrowers are domiciled in New York City are apportioned to New York City.

7) Net operating losses incurred in tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2015 can be carried back for three years, provided that no such net operating loss can be carried back to a tax year before 2015. In addition, net operating losses can be carried forward for as many as twenty years.

8) Four new modifications to the calculation of business income are created. The Corporation plans to take advantage of the second modification.

a) The first modification is available to small thrifts and qualified community banks for holding a significant amount of New York City small business loans and New York City residential mortgages. Eligible taxpayers must choose between this modification and the third modification discussed below.

b) The second modification is available to small thrifts and qualified community banks that maintained a REIT on April 1, 2014. Taxpayers that use this modification are precluded from using the first or third modification.

c) The third modification is available to thrifts and qualified community banks holding a qualified residential loan portfolio. Eligible taxpayers must choose between this modification and the first modification.

d) The fourth modification is available for taxpayers and combined groups that have less than \$150 billion of assets and make or purchase loans secured by residential real property in New York City used for affordable housing or located in a low income community. Taxpayers may not include loans in this modification that are incorporated into the first modification and may not include income in this modification that is included in the second modification.

The Corporation estimates that as a result of New York City tax reform, its net New York City income tax will increase by approximately \$80,000 for 2015. This is in addition to a one-time charge in the second quarter of 2015 of approximately \$402,000 resulting from the establishment of a New York City deferred income tax liability as of the effective date of the legislation. The increase in New York City income tax is mainly due to a higher apportionment of receipts to New York City as a result of applying the new customer-based sourcing rules to the Bank's mortgage loans secured by properties in New York City and other loans to borrowers domiciled in New York City.



### ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

The Bank invests in interest-earning assets, which are funded by interest-bearing deposits and borrowings, noninterest-bearing deposits and capital. The Bank's results of operations are subject to risk resulting from interest rate fluctuations generally and having assets and liabilities that have different maturity, repricing, and prepayment/withdrawal characteristics. The Bank defines interest rate risk as the risk that the Bank's net interest income and/or economic value of equity ("EVE") will change when interest rates change. The principal objective of the Bank's asset liability management activities is to optimize current and future net interest income while at the same time maintaining acceptable levels of interest rate and liquidity risk and facilitating the funding needs of the Bank.

The Bank monitors and manages interest rate risk through a variety of techniques including interest rate sensitivity modeling and traditional gap analysis. Both interest rate sensitivity modeling and gap analysis involve a variety of significant estimates and assumptions and are done at a specific point in time. Changes in the estimates and assumptions made for interest rate sensitivity modeling and gap analysis could have a significant impact on projected results and conclusions. Therefore, these techniques may not accurately reflect the actual impact of changes in the interest rate environment on the Bank's net interest income or EVE.

Traditional gap analysis involves arranging the Bank's interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities by repricing period and then computing the difference, or interest-rate sensitivity gap, between the assets and liabilities which are estimated to reprice during each time period and cumulatively through the end of each time period. Gap analysis requires estimates as to when individual categories of interest-sensitive assets and liabilities will reprice and assumes that assets and liabilities assigned to the same repricing period will reprice at the same time and in the same amount. Among other things, gap analysis does not fully take into account the fact that the repricing of some assets and liabilities is discretionary and subject to competitive and other pressures.

Through use of interest rate sensitivity modeling, the Bank first projects net interest income over a five-year time period assuming a static balance sheet and no changes in interest rates from current levels. Utilization of a static balance sheet ensures that interest rate risk embedded in the Bank's current balance sheet is not masked by assumed balance sheet growth or contraction. Net interest income is then projected over a five-year time period utilizing: (1) a static balance sheet and various interest rate change scenarios, including both ramped and shock changes and changes in the shape of the yield curve; and (2) a most likely balance sheet growth scenario and these same interest rate change scenarios. The interest rate scenarios modeled are based on, among other things, the shape of the current yield curve and the relative level of rates and management's expectations as to potential future yield curve shapes and rate levels.

The Bank also uses interest rate sensitivity modeling to calculate EVE in the current rate environment assuming both shock increases and decreases in interest rates. EVE is the difference between the present value of expected future cash flows from the Bank's assets and the present value of the expected future cash flows from the Bank's liabilities. Present values are determined using discount rates that management believes are reflective of current market conditions. EVE can capture long-term interest rate risk that would not be captured in a five-year projection of net interest income.



In utilizing interest rate sensitivity modeling to project net interest income and calculate EVE, management makes a variety of estimates and assumptions which include, among others, the following: (1) how much and when yields and costs on individual categories of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities will change in response to projected changes in market interest rates; (2) future cash flows, including prepayments of mortgage assets and calls of municipal securities; (3) cash flow reinvestment assumptions; (4) appropriate discount rates to be applied to loan, deposit and borrowing cash flows; and (5) decay or runoff rates for nonmaturity deposits such as checking, savings, NOW and money market accounts. The repricing of loans and borrowings and the reinvestment of loan and security cash flows are generally assumed to be impacted by the full amount of each assumed rate change, while the repricing of nonmaturity deposits is not. For nonmaturity deposits, management makes estimates of how much and when it will need to change the rates paid on the Bank's various deposit products in response to changes in general market interest rates. These estimates are based on, among other things, product type, management's experience with needed deposit rate adjustments in prior interest rate change cycles, and management's assessment of competitive conditions in its marketplace.

The information provided in the following table is based on a variety of estimates and assumptions that management believes to be reasonable, the more significant of which are set forth hereinafter. The base case information in the table shows (1) a calculation of the Corporation's EVE at September 30, 2015 arrived at by discounting estimated future cash flows at rates that management believes are reflective of current market conditions and (2) an estimate of net interest income on a tax-equivalent basis for the year ending September 30, 2016 assuming a static balance sheet, the adjustment of repricing balances to current rate levels, and the reinvestment at current rate levels of cash flows from maturing assets and liabilities in a mix of assets and liabilities that mirrors the Bank's strategic plan. In addition, in calculating EVE, cash flows for nonmaturity deposits are based on a base case average life of 5.5 years.

The rate change information in the table shows estimates of net interest income on a tax-equivalent basis for the year ending September 30, 2016 and calculations of EVE at September 30, 2015 assuming rate changes of plus 100, 200 and 300 basis points and minus 100 basis points. The rate change scenarios were selected based on, among other things, the relative level of current interest rates and are: (1) assumed to be shock or immediate changes, (2) occur uniformly across the yield curve regardless of the duration to maturity or repricing of specific assets and liabilities, and (3) impact the repricing and reinvestment of all assets and liabilities, except nonmaturity deposits, by the full amount of the rate change. In projecting future net interest income under the indicated rate change scenarios, activity is simulated by assuming that cash flows from maturing assets and liabilities are reinvested in a mix of assets and liabilities that mirrors the Bank's strategic plan. The changes in EVE from the base case have not been tax affected.

Rate Change Scenario (dollars in thousands)	Economic Value of Equity at September 30, 2015		Net Interest Income for Year Ending 9/30/16	
	Amount	Percent Change From Base Case	Amount	Percent Change From Base Case
+ 300 basis point rate shock	\$ 217,219	-25.3%	\$ 78,049	-10.5%
+ 200 basis point rate shock	262,158	-9.8%	86,286	-1.0%
+ 100 basis point rate shock	288,707	-0.7%	88,778	1.8%

Base case (no rate change)	290,769	-	87,190	-
- 100 basis point rate shock	254,217	-12.6%	83,449	-4.3%

As shown in the preceding table, assuming a static balance sheet, an immediate decrease in interest rates of 100 basis points or an immediate increase in interest rates of 200 or 300 basis points could negatively impact the Bank's net interest income for the year ending September 30, 2016. Conversely, an immediate increase in interest rates of 100 basis points could positively impact the Bank's net interest income for the same time period. The Bank's net interest income could be negatively impacted in a shock down 100 basis point scenario because, among other things, the rates currently being paid on many of the Bank's deposit products are approaching zero and there is little room to reduce them. Unlike the shock up 100 basis point scenario, in the shock up 200 or 300 basis point scenarios it is assumed that the Bank will need to make more significant changes to the rates paid on its nonmaturity deposits in order to remain competitive and thus net interest income could be negatively impacted. Changes in management's estimates as to the rates that will need to be paid on nonmaturity deposits could have a significant impact on the net interest income amounts shown for each scenario in the table.

### Forward-Looking Statements

This report on Form 10-Q and the documents incorporated into it by reference contain various forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements include statements of goals; intentions and expectations; estimates of risks and of future costs and benefits; assessments of probable loan losses; assessments of market risk; and statements of the ability to achieve financial and other goals. Forward-looking statements are typically identified by words such as "would," "should," "could," "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "outlook," "estimate," "forecast," "project" and other words and expressions. Forward-looking statements are subject to numerous assumptions, risks and uncertainties which may change over time. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made. We do not assume any duty and do not undertake to update our forward-looking statements. Because forward-looking statements are subject to assumptions and uncertainties, actual results or future events could differ, possibly materially, from those that we anticipated in our forward-looking statements and future results could differ materially from historical performance.

Our forward-looking statements are subject to the following principal risks and uncertainties: general economic conditions and trends, either nationally or locally; conditions in the securities markets; fluctuations in the trading price of our common stock; changes in interest rates; changes in deposit flows, and in the demand for deposit and loan products and other financial services; changes in real estate values; changes in the quality or composition of our loan or investment portfolios; changes in competitive pressures among financial institutions or from non-financial institutions; our ability to retain key members of management; changes in legislation, regulation, and policies; and a variety of other matters which, by their nature, are subject to significant uncertainties. We provide greater detail regarding some of these factors in the Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014, in Part I under "Item 1A. Risk Factors." Our forward-looking statements may also be subject to other risks and uncertainties, including those that we may discuss elsewhere in other documents we file with the SEC from time to time.

#### **ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

##### **Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

The Corporation's Principal Executive Officer, Michael N. Vittorio, and Principal Financial Officer, Mark D. Curtis, have evaluated the Corporation's disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"), as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based upon that evaluation, they have concluded that the Corporation's disclosure controls and procedures are effective as of the end of the period covered by this report.

##### **Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

There were no changes in internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the third quarter of 2015 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

#### **PART II. OTHER INFORMATION**

##### **ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

In the ordinary course of business, the Corporation is party to various legal actions which are believed to be incidental to the operation of its business. Although the ultimate outcome and amount of liability, if any, with respect to these legal actions cannot presently be ascertained with certainty, in the opinion of management, based upon information currently available to us, any resulting liability is believed to be immaterial to the Corporation's consolidated financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

**ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS**

Not applicable

**ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS**

Not applicable

**ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES**

Not applicable

**ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES**

Not applicable

**ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION**

Not applicable

**ITEM 6. EXHIBITS**

See Index of Exhibits that follows.

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## INDEX OF EXHIBITS

<u>Exhibit</u> <u>No.</u>	<u>Description of Exhibit</u>
3(ii)	By-laws, as amended (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3(ii) of Registrant's Form 8-K filed August 21, 2015)
31.1	Certification of Principal Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a)
31.2	Certification of Principal Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a)
32	Certification of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(b) and U.S.C. Section 1350
101	The following materials from the Corporation's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2015, formatted in XBRL (Extensible Business Reporting Language): (i) Consolidated Balance Sheets, (ii) Consolidated Statements of Income, (iii) Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income, (iv) Consolidated Statements of Changes in Stockholders' Equity, (v) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows and (vi) Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.



## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

THE FIRST OF LONG ISLAND CORPORATION

(Registrant)

Dated: November 9, 2015

By */s/* MICHAEL N. VITTORIO  
MICHAEL N. VITTORIO, President & Chief Executive  
Officer  
(principal executive officer)

By */s/* MARK D. CURTIS  
MARK D. CURTIS, Executive Vice  
President, Chief Financial Officer and  
Treasurer  
(principal financial officer)

By */s/* WILLIAM APRIGLIANO  
WILLIAM APRIGLIANO, Senior Vice  
President & Chief Accounting Officer  
(principal accounting officer)